GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA

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NRI REMITTANCES THROUGH POST OFFICES
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether any proposal is under the consideration of the Government to allow the Non-Resident Indians to remit foreign exchange to their near and dear ones through the post offices;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which a final decision is likely to be taken in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD)

(a) to (c): No, Sir. However, the Department of Posts has a tie-up with the Western Union Financial Services International, U.S.A. for an International Money Transfer Service in some selected post offices in India. The service enables instantaneous remittance of money to India. The recipients are paid the money in Indian rupees.